Q. *When Juan Bosch, overwhelmingly elected President of the Dominican Republic in that island's first free election was removed by a military junta in 1963, why didn't the U.S. intervene with troops? When the junta was overthrown by Bosch's men, Johnson immediately sent troops?—D. R. R., Palo Alto, Calif.*

A. When Bosch was overthrown the Kennedy administration was in power and withheld military aid and diplomatic recognition from the junta. Johnson saw the situation in another light. Under Thomas Mann, his Undersecretary of State, our policy in Latin America is to favor friendly military dictatorships of the right over coalitions of the left because of Communist infiltration. Parade 1/9/66